GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:246
ANSWERED ON:09.08.2000
REVIEW OF PROJECTS
RENU KUMARI SINGH

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have reviewed the projects started with the funds allocated to the States and Union Territories under annual plans by the Planning Commission during the year 1998-99 and 1999-2000;

(b) if so, the names of those States and Union Territories which have not utilized the funds allocated for the said purpose; and

(c) the criteria laid down for the increase/ reduction in plan allocations to States/ Union Territories?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE)

(a) to (c) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 246 FOR ANSWER ON 09-08-2000 REGARDING REVIEW OF PROJECTS BY SHRIMATI RENU KUMARI.

(a) : Yes, Sir. Plan allocations made in the Annual Plans of States and UTs and the progress of various projects/ schemes under various sectors are reviewed from time to time by the Planning Commission. These reviews culminate in an overall review of the progress of implementation of various schemes/ projects during Annual Plan discussions of different States/ UTs. Under the existing guidelines States can divert funds from one scheme to another, so long as the outlays for earmarked sectors/ schemes are not changed. Normal Central Assistance is adjusted/ cut in a pro-rata basis for any deviation from the earmarked outlays as well as shortfall in Plan expenditure with reference to approved or revised approved plan outlay as per the guidelines.

(b): The names of those States which have not utilized the funds allocated for the said purpose during the last two years are given in Annexure-I.

(c) : The Annual Plan allocations to States in any given year are determined on the basis of their own financial resources and Central Assistance available to the State Governments for Plan financing. While allocation under Normal Central Assistance (NCA) is based on the Gadgil formula approved by the National Development Council (NDC) in December, 1991, allocation under Additional Central Assistance (ACA) for Area Programmes and Externally Aided Projects (EAP) are based on the Sector/ Project requirements of States, within the limits of gross budgetary support provided by Government of India.

Annexure -1

STATES WHICH HAVE NOT UTILISED FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR THE PURPOSE DURING THE YEARS 1998-99 AND 1999-2000

1998-99

1. Arunachal Pradesh

2. Assam

3. Goa

4. Gujarat

5. Maharashtra
6. Mizoram

7 Nagaland

8. Rajasthan

9. Tamil Nadu
10. Tripura
11. Uttar Pradesh
12. West Bengal

1999-2000

1. Gujarat

2. Sikkim